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Serial No.: 10/671,033      §  
Filed: September 25, 2003      §  
For: CORROSION-RESISTANT AND      §  
STAIN-RESISTANT      §  
COMPONENT AND METHOD      §  
FOR MANUFACTURING SAME      §

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Examiner: Footland, Lenard A.  
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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO FINAL  
OFFICE ACTION MAILED JUNE 8, 2006**

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Final Office Action mailed on June 8, 2006.